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HOLIDAY SHOPPING TIPS

The Frederick County Sheriff's Office offers a few prevention measures that can help keep holiday shopping fun and joyous for everyone.

- Whenever possible shop during daylight hours. If you must shop at night, use the buddy system.
- Avoid wearing expensive jewelry.
- Always stay alert to your surroundings.
- Be extra careful if you carry a wallet or purse.
- Avoid carrying large amounts of cash.
- Avoid overloading yourself with packages.
- Park in well lit parking lots.
- Beware of strangers approaching you for any reason. At this time of year, "con-artists" may try various methods of distracting you with the intention of taking your money or belongings.
- Contact the police immediately if you believe you are a victim of a crime.
- Notify the credit card issuer immediately if your credit card is lost, stolen or misused.

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